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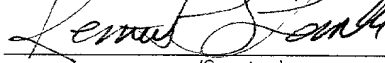
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of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

☒ Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (21 pages).

☒ Informal drawings (6 sheets, Figures 1-7B).

☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney (\_\_\_ pages).

☐ Assignment of the invention to DCI Marketing Inc..

☐ Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.

☒ Small Entity statement.

☐ Request for application not to be published with certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).

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- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of \_\_\_\_ listed reference(s).
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☐ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

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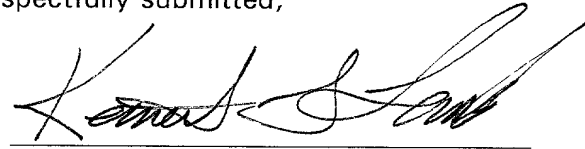
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